

Frelinghuysen Township Environmental Commission
Minutes of Meeting of May 14, 2018
APPROVED

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Connor at 7:35PM

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT:

Notice of this meeting was provided by posting notice at the Township Municipal Building in Johnsonburg, and advertising in the New Jersey Herald and Express Times, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. As advertised, action may be taken at this meeting.

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Marty Connor, Jim Simonetti and Wendie Goetz

*Mayor Desiderio

ABSENT: Robert Stock, Tammy Beckenthal, Charlie Marra and Chris Kuhn

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 27, 2018 Mr. Simonetti made a motion to approve the meeting minutes and Mr. Connor seconded- All in favor, aye.

OLD BUSINESS:

FFP/Rec Center Update: Mayor Desiderio stated that the damaged trees were cleared from the property on April 29th and 30th.

Mr. Connor stated that the pond was treated last week with chemical (1st application)

Green Team: Ms. Goetz inquired if an announcement was made at the recreation committee meeting to see if members were interested. Mayor Desiderio stated that the Recreation Committee, Historical Committee and Open Space were asked. No members expressed interest.

Bat Awareness: A discussion ensued. Mr. Connor stated that the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife has information on their website- "Bats are Back", which the Commission can post on the Township website and/or in the newsletter.

Ms. Goetz stated that she thought the commission was trying to come up with a mission statement. Mr. Connor requested that it be held at the July meeting and placed on the agenda under new business. In addition, she explained that the fracking resolution she worked on is in the process of going to the Township Committee for review.

NEW BUSINESS:

Educational Topics: Discussion ensued. Mr. Simonetti stated that he would be responsible for septic maintenance. In addition, he said he will try to put together an informative flyer for posting on the website. He said he would bring a sample to July meeting. Ms. Goetz stated that she would continue to focus on bat awareness/bat houses.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Simonetti made a motion to approve to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Ms. Goetz- all in favor, aye. Meeting opened at 8:36PM
Ms. Goetz made a motion to approve the close the meeting to the public, seconded by Mr. Simonetti- all in favor, aye. Meeting closed at 8:37PM. No public comment

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Did not enter

CORRESPONDENCE: N/A

ADJOURNMENT: As there was no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Simonetti, seconded by Ms. Goetz to adjourn. All members present were in favor of adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 8:40PM

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Brady
Environmental Commission Secretary